MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP :

Expenditure up to the end of 1111 M. E.	...	Rs. 58,065
Receipts up to the end of 1111 M. E.	...	3,529
Receipts during 1111 M. E.	...	776

MR. K. T. THOMAS (*Tiruvalla*) : May I know the extent of the Farm at the Cape ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : About 10 to 20 acres.

MR. K. T. THOMAS : May I know whether the Government are aware that there is a mango fruit farm maintained by the Parsonage at the Cape ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : I am not aware.

The Pepper Farm at Konni.

106. * MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing separately the expenditure and the receipts up to the close of 1111 and the receipts during 1111, of the Pepper Farm at Konni ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP :

Expenditure up to the end of 1111 M. E.	...	Rs. 1,10,422
Receipts up to the end of 1111 M. E.	...	19,629
Receipts during 1111 M. E.	...	2,581

MR. K. T. THOMAS : May I know from the Government whether the whole area of the farm is planted ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : Only 50 acres out of 150 have been planted.

MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR (*Mavelikara cum Kunnathur*): ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ ഇൻസ്പെക്ടറെ നിയമിക്കുന്നതിനു മുമ്പു് ആ ഫാമെ സെൽഫ് സപ്പോർട്ടിംഗ് ആയിരുന്നെന്നു് പറയാമോ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : ഒരിക്കലും ആ ഫാംസെൽഫ് സപ്പോർട്ടിംഗ് ആയിരുന്നില്ല.

MR. K. T. THOMAS : May I know from the member whether the whole area of the farm is planted ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : Only 50 acres out of 150 have been planted with pepper vines.

The Debt Conciliation Boards.

107 * MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of Agricultural Debt Conciliation Boards established in the State ;

(*b*) the name, territorial and pecuniary jurisdiction, officers, staff, total amount of salary and other expenditure per mensem and office rent of each of such Boards ;

(*c*) the total number of pakuthies in the State ; and

(*d*) the number of petitions for conciliation filed in each Board and the total amount of debt sought to be conciliated in each of such Boards up to the 31st of Mithunam 1112 ?

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RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) The member is referred to Government notifications R.O.C. Nos. 2518/37/Rev. dated 12-6-1937 and 2720/37/Rev. dated 14-6-1937 published at pages 1333 and 1334 of Part I of the Gazette dated 15-6-1937 and the erratum notification R.O.C. No. 2518/37/Rev. dated 19-6-1937 at page 1345, Part I of the Gazette dated 22-6-1937.

As regards staff, total amount of salary etc., a * statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

(*c*) The member is referred to the Travancore Almanac and Directory, 1937.

(*d*)

Name of Board.	Number of petitions.	Amount of debt sought to be conciliated.		
		Rs.	Ch.	C.
Kottayam II ...	11	49,563	15	8
Nagercoil ...	31	48,257	24	2
Trivandrum ...	19	33,990	14	1
Alleppey ...	17	32,096	3	12
Kottayam I ...	14	27,195	22	4
Moovattupuzha ...	10	23,234	10	4

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know from the member the reasons that weighed with Government to establish 5 Conciliation Boards in places where there are District Courts?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : The Government wanted to see how the work was going to be done; if the result turns out to be satisfactory, they may establish more Boards.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know the reasons that weighed with Government for establishing two Boards in Kottayam itself?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: One Board is in the charge of the senior officer who is also the administrative head of the department and he has been given a higher pecuniary jurisdiction than the other officers. Hence two Boards have been established at Kottayam.

* *Vide* Appendix II—page 437.

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MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether Government have received representations from the public of Tiruvalla taluk for establishing a Conciliation Board there?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: Yes, Sir.

MR. PLIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the action taken by them in the matter?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: It will be considered after the Boards already established have worked for some time.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): തിരുവിതാംകൂറിന്റെ മദ്ധ്യസ്ഥലം കോട്ടയം ആയതു കൊണ്ടാണോ അവിടെ ഹൈ ക്കോർട്ടേഴ്സ് വച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു്?

RAO BAHADUR RAYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: The member knows whether Kottayam is the central place in Travancore or not.

MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR: കൺസിലിയേഷൻ ആഫീസറന്മാരുടെ കൂട്ടത്തിൽ വക്കീലന്മാരെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: One High Court Vakil has been appointed recently as a Conciliation Officer.

Government Press.

108. ✻ MR. K. T. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Audit Office is empowered to bring to the notice of the Government irregularities in appointments made in a department, the expenditure incurred by the department as revealed by audit;

(*b*) whether they have received any such reports concerning the Government Press; and

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) be in the affirmative, what action has been taken thereon?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*a*) No. The Audit Office will report to Government only serious financial irregularities noticed in audit.

(*b*) and (*c*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), these do not arise.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I know whether any irregularity in expenditure has been reported by the audit office?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: The audit office has reported some financial irregularities.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I know whether any action has been taken on the irregularities already reported to Government?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: The Government have considered the reports and necessary action has been taken.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I know whether there is any officer or office that is responsible for bringing to the notice of Government irregularities in appointments?

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Appendix I—(*contd.*)

Statement by caste of appointments on Rs. 15 and above made in the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries during the four years ending the 15th Mithunam 1112.

A.	HINDU		27
	Brahmin	5	
	Nair	9	
	Ezhava	3	
	Other Hindu	10	
B.	MUSLIM	2	2
C	CHRISTIAN		7
	Marthomite	1	
	Syriac Catholic	1	
	Latin Catholic	4	
	Other Christian	1	

Appendix II

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 107.**

Statement showing, the number, name etc., of the Agriculturists' Debt Conciliation Boards.

Name of Board.	Staff.	Total amount of salary and other expenditure.	Rent.
Kottayam II ...	Manager (Rs. 75—100.) Clerks 3 (Rs. 25—40) Do 2 (Rs. 20—25) Copyists 3 (Rs. 15) Peons 4 (Rs. 9 11) Process servers 8 (Rs 9-11)	Rs. 855-14-0	Bh. Rs. 28
Nagercoil ...	Head clerk Rs (40—70) Clerk (Rs 25—40) Do. 2 (Rs 20—25) Copyists 3 (Rs 15) Peons 2 (Rs. 9—11) Process servers 8(Rs 9-11)	Rs. 603-14-0	Rh. Rs. 18
Trivandrum ...	Do.	Rs. 501-14-0	Bh. Rs. 45
Alleppey ...	Do.	Rs. 508-14-0	Bh Rs. 25
Kottayam I. ...	Do.	Rs. 652-14-0	Bh Rs. 20
Moovattupuzha ...	Do.	Rs. 408 14-0	Bh. Rs. 20

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